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3 MR. MEYERS: Hi once again. I have very, a
4 real lot of concerns about the whole project itself.
5 One is that last night I went to sweat, because there
6 are a lot of things that are bothering me. One of the
7 issues that is bothering me is this issue right here.
8 The United States Government, as you guys know, or
9 those that want to really recognize, knows that they're
10 not really out exactly honest. I can tell you by
11 experience. Tribes have had 500-years plus of
12 experience with the United States Government.
13 I want to be mean, I want to be tough, but I
14 have to look inside myself, and I can't be that way. I
15 have to pray for you guys. I have to pray for what
16 you're doing, because I know if I don't, you will
17 destroy my people, and the people of other reservations
18 across the United States, and that is not -- that is
19 something that I know for a fact that the United States
20 Government had set out to do in the first place. And
21 if you keep this, if you keep this Yucca Mountain
22 Project going, you may just -- you may just do that.
23 We are a small tribe. Most of us live on the
24 reservation. And we are a stone's throw from the rail

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25 line, and Interstate 15 goes right through the

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1 reservation, which for years I had to put that
2 reservation on the map. It took me about five years to
3 put my reservation on DOE Yucca Mountain Site maps that
4 they had. They had every other reservation, had
5 Las Vegas Paiute Tribe, but they never even had my
6 tribe, which is more land than the Las Vegas Paiute
7 Tribe. And it -- both of the routes would go right
8 through the reservation.

9 And you guys may think it's funny, you may
10 think it's not very serious, but I'm telling you it's
11 very serious to us. Because not only do we have to
12 fight this with no money, with no nothing, but to get
13 out there and me to come out here right after work. I
14 live about 90-something miles away, maybe 100 miles.
15 And I have to come out here to tell you, again, because
16 I know you don't listen to me.

17 I told you guys last week, and I don't think
18 that had gone over very well either. Because let me
19 tell you what, last week -- remember last month, when
20 they had the hearings in Vegas? Well, I went to the
21 people who I thought we were supposed to have a trust

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22 responsibility to. Or to us. And told them I'd like
23 to speak, not speak at 2:00 or 3:00 in the morning,
24 because I had to go home, I had to go to work next day.
25 I am the Chairman of my reservation, on my Tribal
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1 Council. I have a lot of responsibility. I have all
2 the responsibility of the United States President does,
3 but yet I don't have nearly, not even close to the
4 staff that he has. I have to figure out these things
5 myself.

6 I have a lot of work to do. There's one of
7 me and many, many of you guys. I was told last time by
8 Mr. Allen Benson that just because I'm from a tribe
9 means nothing. Where's trust responsibility? It's not
10 there. I asked the other DOE personnel was from
11 headquarters the same thing. He says, "Well, we can't
12 help you. You just have to wait your turn."

13 We had a meeting with the Nuclear Regulatory
14 Commission about two weeks ago, with one of their
15 commissioners, and I expressed the same thing. I
16 expressed the same thing to the Nuclear Regulatory
17 Commission five or six years ago, that they have trust
18 responsibility to the tribe. They are finally learning

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19 out that they do.

20 And it's been many, many years since I've
21 been telling DOE that they have trust responsibility to
22 the tribe, and they have not even started yet. And I
23 am writing a letter of my experience at the hearings in
24 Las Vegas, and I expect to get a letter from the
25 Secretary Abraham on it, because I don't think it's

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1 right. I don't think it's right that you can tell your
2 boss, the Secretary, and a former President, on the
3 executive order that he wrote to break down the
4 impairments for government-to-government relationships,
5 and you guys are building them back up faster than
6 anybody can knock them down. So if I -- I told my boss
7 last year, when I wasn't the Chair, that if I didn't do
8 something he told me to do, I would expect to be fired.

9 And there's one thing that you guys need to
10 remember: That you may go ahead and move out of
11 Las Vegas, you can move clear across the country, where
12 it may be safer, but I can't. My heart and my soul
13 comes from this earth, from right over here, not very
14 far away from where you guys want to destroy my land.

15 I prayed last night that the land will be

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16 well, that the air will be well, and that the water
17 will be well, because without these things being
18 healthy, there's no human life. No matter what you
19 say. No matter what you think your science can do, you
20 won't be able to live, and that goes for everybody,
21 every living thing. The air is alive. The earth is
22 alive. The water's alive. Everything is alive. If
23 you, if you kill any one of those things, you kill a
24 lot, and you can kill yourself. Thank you.